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Riverside police shoot, kill fugitive

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A man wanted on a felony arrest warrant and who told a friend he would rather die than return to jail was shot to death Saturday when,

Riverside Police Chief Sergio Diaz said, he pulled a gun on Riverside police officers who were trying to arrest him.



The man's mother, Gramercy Place resident Lorie Rivera, identified him as **Bond** Danny James Bond.

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38. His driver's license lists him as a San Bernardino resident.

Rivera said her son had drug and domestic-violence convictions.

Riverside County Superior Court records show Bond was convicted in 1993 of receiving stolen property and importing, selling or distribut-SFF FUGITIVE/A12

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A Riverside officer puts up barricades to obscure the body in the 5600 block of Harold Street in Riverside on Saturday.

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ing illegal drugs into the state.

He was convicted of a similar drug charge in 2000.

In January 2011, an attempt by Elizabeth Ruth Gutierrez to get a permanent restraining order against Bond failed when neither party showed up for a court hearing.

On Jan. 4 this year, a warrant was issued for Bond's

arrest after he was charged with assault with a deadly weapon doing great bodily harm.

John Hicks, a family friend for 25 years, stood with Rivera outside the crime-scene tape and talked about Bond.

"He told me they'd have to kill him before he'd go back to jail," Hicks said.

Diaz said his officers had been looking for Bond and found him at his mother's home.

Officers had been watch-

ing the residence, and about back toward the first two of-2:45 p.m. Saturday, Bond left on his bicycle.

His mother said he was going to buy cigarettes.

Diaz gave this account of what happened next: Two uniformed officers in a marked patrol car tried to stop Bond, who was riding on the sidewalk on Harold Street. Bond dropped his bicycle and ran.

Uniformed officers in two unmarked cars closed in on Bond, who then turned ficers. Bond pulled out a pistol and those officers shot Bond.

Bond's body lay on the sidewalk while Rivera waited a half block away.

She thought the body might be her son's after he did not return from the store and descriptions of the body and the bicycle sounded familiar.

Police later told Rivera that her son was dead.

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